

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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Monday, September 13, 2004.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Eternal God, the Ultimate Source of Goodness and Truth, we look to You for assistance and direction as we face each day's personal and legislative challenges. Your help also enables us to recognize our opportunities for serving You and constituents thoughtfully. On the eve of a state-wide election, we are grateful that we have the chance to exercise and the freedom to vote our informed conscience. In our diverse society, we disagree on issues, often important, but we respect the views and concerns of others. Inspire us to remain faithful to and guided by our own religious beliefs, values and principles. May the common good of people and society unite us in building caring, civil, safe and concerned communities.

Prayer.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of  
allegiance.

### *Message from the Governor — Bill Returned with Recommendation of Amendment.*

A message from His Excellency the Governor returning with recommendation of amendment the engrossed Bill relative to the Belchertown Economic Development and Industrial Corporation [see House, No. 4692] (for message, see House, No. 5077) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Friday, September 10.

Belchertown  
Economic  
Development.

The message was read; and, under the provisions of Article LVI of the Amendments to the Constitution, the bill was thereupon "before the General Court and subject to amendment and re-enactment".

Pending the question on adoption of the amendment recommended by His Excellency, the bill was referred, on motion of Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

### *Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Finegold of Andover) honoring Greg Hill;

Greg Hill.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Koutoujian of Waltham and Stanley of Waltham) honoring Joe Giordano;

Joe Giordano

Robert A.  
Hodge.

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. O'Brien of Kingston and Webster of Hanson) congratulating Robert A. Hodge on the occasion of his retirement; and

Alcohol  
and Drug  
Addiction  
Recovery  
Day.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Walsh of Boston) National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month and September twenty-second as Massachusetts Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Day;

Mr. DiMasi of Boston, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Hynes of Marshfield, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

#### *Paper from the Senate.*

Northampton,  
police.

A Bill relative to civil service positions in the city of Northampton (Senate, No. 2441, amended in section 1, in line 4, by striking out the words "up to and including the Police Chief" and inserting in place thereof the following: "set forth in paragraph (b)"; and, in line 8, by inserting after the word "Officers" the following:— ", effective July 1, 2003,") (on a petition) [Local Approval Received], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

#### *Reports of Committees.*

Community  
Preservation  
law.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on Taxation to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning revenue and taxation matters in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4651) reported, in part, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3461) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and other members of the House that cities and towns be authorized to place before the voters a question on re-acceptance of the community preservation laws,— and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Taxation. Under Rule 42, the report was considered forthwith; and it was accepted.

Pembroke,  
borrowing.

By Mrs. Parente of Milford, for the committee on Long-Term Debt and Capital Expenditures, that the Bill authorizing the town of Pembroke to borrow certain sums of money (House, No. 4814) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Plymouth,  
land.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on State Administration to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning administrative matters in the Commonwealth (House, No. 5067), reported, in part, a Bill authorizing the town of Plymouth to lease certain land (House, No. 4818, changed by

striking out sections 2 and 3) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Mr. Kujawski of Webster, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, on the Order relative to authorizing the committee on State Administration to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning administrative matters in the Commonwealth (House, No. 5067), reported, in part, a Bill authorizing the town of Plymouth to lease certain land for the construction of a parking facility (House, No. 4819, changed by striking out sections 2 and 3) [Local Approval Received]. Read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling.

Plymouth,  
parking  
facility.

Mr. Kujawski of Webster, for said committee, reported that the matter be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Report of the committee on Government Regulations, ought NOT to pass (under Joint Rule 10), on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5014) of J. James Marzilli, Jr., Jay R. Kaufman, Anne M. Paulsen and Robert A. Havern (by vote of the town) relative to increasing the number of licenses for the sale of alcoholic beverages for certain restaurants in the town of Arlington.

Arlington,  
liquor  
licenses.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the report was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on acceptance of the report, the petition was recommitted, on further motion of the same member.

#### *Engrossed Bill.*

The engrossed Bill relative to the definition of Korean War veteran (see Senate, No. 2136) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill  
enacted.

#### *Orders of the Day.*

The Senate Bill authorizing the Board of Selectmen of Acton to lease a certain parcel of land (Senate, No. 1981, amended), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Third  
reading  
bill.

Third  
reading  
bills.

House Bills

Establishing a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the Department of Social Services (House, No. 4841) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Providing for a charter for the town of Plymouth (House, No. 5064) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Severally reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Second  
reading  
bill.

The Senate Bill authorizing self-monitoring and treatment of students with diabetes (Senate, No. 2231) was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

*Order.*

On motion of Mr. Finneran of Boston,—

Next  
sitting.

*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

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At seventeen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.